# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2276
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BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to concentrate on getting a better deal for the victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy by presenting the facts afresh to the owner of Union Carbide Corporation, Dow Chemicals and insist on higher compensation for the victims;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether several organisations have also called the Government for an official assessment of the damages wrought by the Union Carbide Corporation so that the Corporation could be asked topay cost of environmental rehabilitation and supply of safe drinking water for the affected families; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a)&(b): The Supreme Court considered the matter of providingcompensation to Bhopal Gas victims. The court through its order dated 14.2.89 and 15.2.89, directed the Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) to payan amount of US$ 470 million to the Union of India as compensation in full settlement of all claims, rights and liabilities related to and arising out of Bhopal Gas victims. The UCC paid the amount.

(c): No Sir.

(d): In view of (c) above, question does not arise.